STATEMENT

The detail of credit extended by Government to the countries in South Asia, during the last three financial years, the total amount disbursed and repaid by the respective countries as on December 31, 1991 are given below:-

NEPAL

Year	*Credit Extended*	*Amount Disbused*	*Amount Repaid*
1989-89	Rs. 5 crore	Rs. 5 crore	Rs. 5 crore
1990-91	Rs. 39 crore	Rs. 39 crore	Rs. 39 crore
1991-91	Rs. 55 crore	Rs. 55 crore	Rs. 55 crore
Total:	Rs. 99 crore	Rs. 99 crore	Rs. 99 crore

This was in accordance with the revolving stand-by credit agreement between India and Nepal.

SRILANKA

Under the 1987 Credit Agreement a sum of Rs. 25 crores has been extended to Sri Lanka. As on 31.12.1991 a sum of Rs. 4.46 crores had actually been disabused to the Government of Srilanka, and no repayment was made.

BANGLADESH

A credit-line of Rs. 30 crore has been extended to Bangladesh vide Agreement of August 1991 for import of capital goods and machinery from India. This credit has not yet been operated and as such no disbursements have been made out till date. A line of credit of Rs. 20.crores was extended previously vide Agreement of 15.6.1983 between the two governments. The details regarding this credit are given below:-

Year	*Disbursement*	*Repayment*
1989-90	Rs. 5,14,733	Rs. 2,02,59,068
1990-91	Nil	Rs. 2,35,39,183
1991-92 (Upto 31.12.91)	Nil	Rs. 83,30,000
Total:-	Rs. 5,14,733	Rs. 5,21,28,251

[*Translation*]

Legislation on Lottery Business

2573. SHRI BARE LAL JATAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce a bill in regard to lottery business; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

Pick pocketing in Buses in Delhi

2574. SHRIMATI DIPIKA H. TOPIWALA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of incidents of pickpocketing are taking place in Delhi in the buses of Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) and those running under DTC operation at present; and

(b) if so, the remedial measures taken/ being taken to check such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The number of incidents of pickpocketing in Delhi in buses of Delhi Transport Corporation and those running under DTC operation in 1990 and 1991 is as under:-

Year	*DTC Buses*	*Buses under DTC operation.*
1990	408	226
1991	376	211

(b) Amongst the steps taken to curb such incidents are deployment of plain clothed staff at bus stops and in buses; foot and mobil patrolling by policy at crowded bus stops; surveillance over known bad charcters; and launching of special drives against pickpockets.

[*English*]

Evasion of Sales Tax

2575. SHRIMATI RITA VERMA:
SHRIMATI DIPIKA H. TOPIWALA:
SHRI MATI KRISHNENDRA KAUR:
SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of sales-tax evasion detected in Delhi during the last six months;

(b) the number of firms having sales-tax arrears of above Rs. 10 lakh in Delhi; and

(c) the steps taken to expedite the recovery of sales-tax dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The Office of the Commissioner of Sales-Tax, Delhi Administration has reported that 43 cases of sales tax evasion were detected by the department during the last six months.

(b) There are 166 cases of firms against whom sales tax arrears of Rs. 10 lakhs and more are pending.